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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE Attorney Docket No.: ASAIN0134 Confirmation No.: 5149 Tetsurou HARADA et al. Group Art Unit: 2863 Serial No.: 10/730,889 For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR INSPECTING LEAKAGE OF CONTAINER IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE Attorney Docket No.: ASAIN0134 Confirmation No.: 5149 Examiner: John H. Le

AMENDMENT (B)

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In response to the Official Action dated February 24, 2005, please amend the application identified above as follow:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

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